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- 11. (U) This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.
- 12. (SBU) Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean Air Force officers who have been nominated for U.S. funded training, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy if possible by no later than July 3.
- 13. (SBU) The proposed training is the Special Reaction Team Course, to be held at the Inter American Air Forces Academy (IAAFA), San Antonio, Texas between July 7 and August 27, 2008. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidates appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.
- Luis B. PINO Vargas, Technical Sergeant, Combat Command, 10/05/1965, Rancagua, 10.247.668-9
- Alvaro O. NILO Moreno, Senior Airman, Combat Command, 09/21/1977, Santiago, 10.269.094-k
- 14. (U) Post greatly appreciates the Department's assistance with this short notice request. Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that the candidates have been involved in gross human rights violations.

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